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To The Shareholders:

Your Directors have pleasure in submitting the Annual Report of your Company for the year ended December 31, 1979 consisting of the Consolidated Balance Sheet and Consolidated Statements of Income, Retained Earnings, Unrealized Gain on Investments, and Changes in Net Assets.

The Balance Sheet discloses that the total consolidated assets of the Company as at December 31, 1979 amounted to \$150,583,507. From this amount is deducted total accrued liabilities, income taxes payable, deferred income taxes, and minority interest which leaves a net value of \$139,074,363. Based on 3,843,764 common shares outstanding as at December 31, 1979 each common share had an apparent liquidating value of approximately \$36.18. It should be noted that while \$10.3 million in deferred income taxes was deducted from consolidated assets in calculating the equity value per share, the \$10.3 million continues to work for the benefit of the shareholders. Such will be the case until future realization of capital gains necessitates payment to the Government of part or all of these deferred taxes.

The Consolidated Statement of Income discloses that your Company, after paying all expenses and providing for the minority interest, had a net income for the year of \$6,047,029 or \$1.57 per share from dividends paid by portfolio companies and interest earned on short term investments. We also received a special dividend of 182,500 shares of Hollinger Argus Limited with a value, at date of distribution, of \$7,665,000 or \$2.00 per outstanding share. Total net income of the year ended December 31, 1979 was \$13,712,029 or \$3.57 per share.

During 1979, shareholders received cash dividends of \$1.35 per share. For the first time in many years dividend payments were taxable in the hands of the shareholders. The directors declared a cash dividend of \$0.35 per share on January 31, 1980 payable March 14, 1980.

Energy related investments were an important part of your Company's programme during 1979. In June we completed a private placement of 200,000 treasury shares with Piper Petroleums Ltd. of Vancouver at \$3.25 per share. This developing company with oil and natural gas interests in Saskatchewan, Texas and Colorado made excellent progress during the balance of the year. You will note in the portfolio that a total of \$2,610,357 was invested in a number of oil and gas exploration and development projects. These direct participations result in substantial tax benefits to the Company that would not have accrued if we had invested through the traditional common share route.

The Board of Directors marked the untimely death of their fellow director, T. R. Meighen, Q.C. by passing the following resolution at their Meeting of August 16, 1979:

The Board of Directors record with great sorrow and a deep sense of personal loss the death of T. R. Meighen on July 7, 1979.

Mr. Meighen joined the Board in 1955 and has made an outstanding contribution to the Company during his tenure as a director. His unique personality and warm friendship will be greatly missed by those privileged to have served with him on the Board.

That the Secretary of the Company forward a copy of this resolution to Mrs. Meighen to express the sympathy of the Board of Directors.

The portfolio of investments as at December 31, 1979 is to be found on pages 10 and 11 of this report. A complete list of the securities held by C.G.I. and Third Venture Capital Limited is shown on the last page of this report.

Submitted on behalf of the Board.

An. C. G. Meighen

Chairman of the Board

Alex & Barry President

TORONTO, January 31, 1980.

Consolidated Balance Sheet

	(No	ote 1	(a))									
Aggata												nber 31
Assets											1979	1978
Investments at indicated market value (Note 1(b)):												
Securities having a quoted market value	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$141,984,490	\$117,393,305
Securities not having a quoted market value	-	-	_	_	-	_	-	-	-	-	3,456,884	838,022
											145,441,374	118,231,327
(Cost as at—												
December 31, 1979—\$78,276,303												
December 31, 1978—\$58,896,692)												
Short-term investments, at cost plus accrued interes	t _	_	_		_	_		_	_		4,572,401	10,857,432
Dividends and interest receivable											10,172	34,394
Amount receivable on securities sold											485,682	54,574
Income taxes recoverable						_		_	_	-	405,002	262,350
Cash	_	_	-	_	_	-	_	-	_		73,878	65,596
Cash	~				_	_		_			\$150,583,507	\$129,451,099
T. 1.1. 1.01 1.11 4.71 .											\$150,565,507	\$127,431,077
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equit	y											
Accrued liabilities	_	_	-	_	_	-	-	_	-	_	\$ 4,246	\$ 86,635
Amount payable on securities purchased	-	-		_	_	-	-	_	-	-	555,013	117,406
Income taxes payable									-	-	476,845	_
Deferred income taxes (Note 3(b))	-	-	-	_	_	-	-	_	-	_	10,335,787	6,620,000
Minority interest in subsidiary									-	-	137,253	128,150
Shareholders' equity:												
Capital stock—												
Âuthorized—												
4,000,000 common shares without par value												
Issued and outstanding—												
3,843,764 common shares (Note 2)	-	_	-	_	-	-	-	_	_	~	34,401,688	34,401,688
Unrealized gain on investments							-	-	~	_	57,092,174	52,791,640
Retained earnings (Note 2)	_	_	-	-	_	_	_	_	_	_	47,580,501	35,305,580
											139,074,363	122,498,908
											\$150,583,507	\$129,451,099
APPROVED BY THE BOARD:												

APPROVED BY THE BOARD

M. C. G. MEIGHEN, Director J. ALLYN TAYLOR, Director

Auditors' Report to the Shareholders of

CANADIAN GENERAL INVESTMENTS LIMITED:

We have examined the consolidated balance sheet of Canadian General Investments Limited as at December 31, 1979 and the consolidated statements of income, retained earnings, unrealized gain on investments and changes in net assets for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests and other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, these consolidated financial statements present fairly the financial position of the Company as at December 31, 1979 and the results of its operations and the changes in its net assets for the year then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

As part of our tests referred to in the first paragraph above, we examined share certificates and other evidence supporting the investments held by the Company as at December 31, 1979.

TORONTO, January 18, 1980

PRICE WATERHOUSE & Co. Chartered Accountants

INVESTMENTS LIMITED

Consolidated Statement of Income

	Year ended December 31		
	1979	1978	
Income:			
Dividends (Note 1(c))	5,924,795	\$ 4,850,935	
Interest	1,180,899	250,477	
Gain (loss) on foreign exchange	(13,564)	18,330	
	7,092,130	5,119,742	
Expenses:			
Management fees	306,245	281,460	
Directors' fees	13,100	14,350	
Miscellaneous	62,095	123,022	
Provision for income and foreign taxes—			
Current	472,053	124,350	
Deferred	190,000	63,000	
	662,053	187,350	
	1,043,493	606,182	
Income before special dividends and interest of minority shareholders Special dividends received:	6,048,637	4,513,560	
Cash		194,625	
Shares of Hollinger Argus Limited (1978—Moore Corporation Limited)	7,665,000	1,359,420	
Shares of Hollinger ringus Elimited (1970 Private Corporation Elimited)	7,665,000	1,554,045	
Income before interest of minority shareholders	13,713,637	6,067,605	
Interest of minority shareholders	1,608	3,684	
	8 13,712,029	\$ 6,063,921	
Net income for the year per common share:			
On net income before special dividends received	1.57	\$ 1.17	
On net income for the year	3.57	\$ 1.58	

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Consolidated Statement of Retained Earnings

			Year ended l	December 31
			1979	1978
Balance at beginning of year	-		\$ 35,305,580	\$ 35,198,479
Add (less):				
Net income for the year	-	-	13,712,029	6,063,921
Dividends paid on common shares—				
Cash		-	5,189,081	4,420,328
Shares of Moore Corporation Limited	-	~	_	8,014,248
			5,189,081	12,434,576
			8,522,948	(6,370,655)
			43,828,528	28,827,824
Add (less):				
Gain on investments sold or redeemed, less income taxes of \$206,150 (1978—including recovery of income taxes of \$118,000 on the carry back				
of net capital losses) and less minority interest of \$3,380 (1978–\$9,991)	-	-	3,751,973	16,855,919
Transfer of retained earnings to paid-up capital of common shares	-	-		(10,378,163)
			3,751,973	6,477,756
Balance at end of year	-	-	\$ 47,580,501	\$ 35,305,580
Dividends paid per common share:				
Cash	-	-	\$ 1.350	\$ 1.150
Shares of Moore Corporation Limited	-	-		2.085
			\$ 1.350	\$ 3.235

Consolidated Statement of Unrealized Gain on Investments

																	Year ended Do	ecember 31
																	1979	1978
Increase during the year	-	-	-	-	-		Lette	~	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 7,830,435	\$ 1,435,459
Deferred income taxes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	(3,525,787)	(2,010,600)
Interest of minority shareholders	-	-	~	~	-	-	-	-	~	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(4,114)	4,395
																	(3,529,901)	(2,006,205)
																	4,300,534	(570,746)
Balance at beginning of year -	-	-	~	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	52,791,640	53,362,386
Balance at end of year	-	-	-	-	-	-	***	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	~	-	\$ 57,092,174	\$ 52,791,640

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Consolidated Statement of Changes in Net Assets

	Year ended	December 31
	1979	1978
Net assets at beginning of year	\$122,498,908	\$112,584,390
Add:		
Net income for the year	13,712,029	6,063,921
Gain on investments disposed of during year, less minority interest and income taxes	3,751,973	16,855,919
Increase in unrealized gain on investments	4,300,534	_
Increase in paid-up capital of common shares transferred from retained earnings	144,263,444	10,378,163
Less:	144,203,444	145,882,393
Decrease in unrealized gain on investments	_	570,746
Dividends paid	5,189,081	12,434,576
Transfer of retained earnings to paid-up capital of common shares	_	10,378,163
Net assets at end of year	\$139,074,363	\$122,498,908
Gain on investments disposed of during year:	e so oo coo	e 50.257.752
Cost of investments at beginning of year Add:	\$ 58,896,692	\$ 59,356,652
Purchase of investments during year	15,100,969	5,961,741
Dividend received in shares of Hollinger Argus Limited (1978—Moore Corporation Limited)	7,665,000	1,359,420
(1770 Moore corporation Elimited)	22,765,969	7,321,161
	81,662,661	66,677,813
Less: Cost of investments at end of year	78,276,303	58,896,692
Cost of investments disposed of during year, including in 1978 cost of	76,270,303	30,070,072
\$240,840 of Moore Corporation Limited distributed as a dividend	3,386,358	7,781,121
Proceeds from disposition of investments during year, including in 1978 value assigned to shares of Moore Corporation Limited distributed as a dividend -	7,347,861	24,528,731
Gain on investments disposed of during year before minority interest and income taxes	3,961,503	16,747,610
Provision for income taxes	(206,150)	118,300
Interest of minority shareholders	(3,380)	(9,991)
	(209,530)	108,309
Gain on investments disposed of during year	\$ 3,751,973	\$ 16,855,919
Apparent liquidating value per common share:		
At beginning of year	\$ 31.87	\$ 29.29
At end of year	\$ 36.18	\$ 31.87

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

1. Accounting policies:

- (a) Basis of consolidation—
 - The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its 90% owned subsidiary, C.G.I. and Third Venture Capital Limited.
- (b) Valuation of investments-

The indicated market values of quoted securities are the result of pricing the companies' holdings at the closing quoted market prices as at December 31. Such amounts do not necessarily represent the value of the total holding in any company which may be more or less than that indicated by market quotations. Securities not having a quoted market value have been included at values determined by the directors based principally on the underlying value of the assets represented by these securities.

- (c) Dividend income-
 - Dividend income is recorded on the date the dividend is payable by the issuing company.
- 2. Capital stock and retained earnings:

At a special general meeting of shareholders on December 20, 1978, a resolution was approved which resulted in a transfer of \$10,378,163 of retained earnings to the paid-up capital of the issued and outstanding common shares.

3. Taxation:

- (a) The companies do not qualify as "investment corporations" as defined in Section 130 of the Canadian Income Tax Act; accordingly, they are subject to income tax as "public corporations". "Taxable dividends" received from "taxable Canadian corporations", as defined by the Act, are excluded from taxable income; one-half of gains on disposal of investments, to the extent that these have accrued since December 31, 1971, are subject to income tax at full corporation rates.
- (b) Unrealized gain on investments includes approximately \$35,899,000 which has accrued since December 31, 1971. In addition, the parent company has received dividends of approximately \$5,140,000 since December 31, 1971 which were paid out of "tax-paid undistributed surplus on hand" and "1971 capital surplus on hand" of the payor corporations and, therefore, must be applied to reduce the adjusted cost base of the investments in the payor corporations resulting in a corresponding increase in the gain which may ultimately be realized on these investments. A provision for deferred income taxes on these unrealized gains has been made in the accounts.

Summary of Portfolio by Industry Summary of Changes in Portfolio

	VALUE AS OF DEC. 31, 1979	PERCENT OF PORTFOLIO	in 1979
			Additions to Portfolio
U.S. Securities	\$ 23,572,972	16.2	The Alberta Gas Trunk Line Co., Ltd. 2nd Prefd 20,000 shares
E.		4.0	(1)Avco Corporation 52,870 shares
Finance	21,734,375	15.0	Canada Trustco Mtge. Co. 'A' 95,000 shares
			Canadian Pacific Investments Limited 35,000 shares
Energy	16,885,232	11.6	Canadian Tire Corporation Ltd 67,725 shares
			Canshore Exploration Limited 35 units
Steel	13,606,250	9.4	CCCL Holdings Ltd.—common 260 shares
			CCCL Holdings Ltd.—preferred 2,340 shares
Metals	11,925,000	8.2	Domtar Inc 100,000 shares
	11,7 = 2,000		(2)Extendicare Ltd. 'A' 80,000 shares
Investment Trust	10.432.000	7.2	(3)Hollinger Argus Limited 182,500 shares
investment frust	10,452,000	1.2	Hudson's Bay Company—common - 42,500 shares
ħ	10.212.600	= 0	Hudson's Bay Company—preferred - 42,500 shares
Beverages	10,212,500	7.0	(4)Intel Corporation 6,250 shares
			Magna International Inc. 'A' 30,000 shares
Merchandising	7,315,281	5.0	Magna International Inc. 'B' 5,000 shares
			Moore Corporation Limited 1 share
Forest Products	7,168,750	4.9	North Canadian Oils Limited Joint Venture \$267,857
Industrial Management	6,344,375	4.4	Onyx Petroleum Exploration Ltd 10,000 shares
1112 40 11141 11141 118	0,5 , 1,5 , 5		Passburg Petroleums Ltd \$1,000,000 debenture
Manufacturing	4,875,688	3.4	Peabody International Corporation - 25,000 shares
Manufacturing	4,073,000	3.4	Piper Petroleums Ltd 200,000 shares
			Ram Petroleums Limited 2,000 shares
Miscellaneous	3,323,706	2.3	Renaissance Resources Ltd 50,000 shares
			Renaissance Resources Ltd. Joint Venture \$250,000
Business Forms	3,092,750	2.1	ROLM Corporation 9,000 shares
			(5)Shared Medical Systems Corporation- 52,700 shares
Communications	2,664,000	1.8	A
			Deletions from Portfolio
Venture Capital	1,395,995	0.9	(1)Avco Corporation 9%% May 31, 2001 - \$845,591
1			Canadian Tire Corporation Ltd. 'A' - 52,100 shares
Real Estate	892,500	0.6	Hudson's Bay Company—common - 42,500 shares
Near Listate	0,2,500	0.0	Hudson's Bay Company—preferred - 42,500 shares
	\$145 441 274	100.0	Simpsons Limited 340,000 shares Waters Associates Inc 17,000 shares
	\$145,441,374	100.0	
			(1) Debenture Converted to Common (4) Stock Split—3 for 2 (2) Stock Split—2 for 1 (5) Stock Split—2 for 1

(3) Stock Dividend

Portfolio of Investments

AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1979

No. of Shares		Total Market Value I		No. of Shares		Total Market Value F \$	% of Portfolio
	Beverages	10,212,500	7.0		(D) OTHER	4,439,500	
215,000	The Seagram Company Ltd.	10,212,500		17,000	Calgary Power Ltd. 'A'	782,000	
	Business Forms	2 002 750	2.1	2,500	Canadian Utilities Ltd	47,500	
89 000	Moore Corporation Limited	3,092,750 3,092,750	2.1	30,000	The Consumers' Gas Co	806,250	
07,000		-,,		70,000	Rio Algom Ltd	2,222,500	
96,000	Communications Southam Incorporated	2,664,000 2,664,000	1.8	50,000	Union Gas Limited 'A'	581,250	
					Finance	21,734,375	15.0
	Energy	16,885,232	11.6		(A) BANKS	3,138,125	
20.000	(A) OILS Hudson's Bay Oil	8,060,375		15,000	Bank of Montreal	373,125	
20,000	& Gas Co. Ltd	2,060,000		. 40,000	Royal Bank of Canada	1,685,000	
	Imperial Oil Ltd. 'A'	1,544.375			The Toronto-Dominion Bank -	1,080,000	
	Piper Petroleums Ltd	1,600,000					
	Ram Petroleums Limited -	231,000			(B) TRUST COMPANY	18,596,250	
75,000	Shell Canada Ltd. 'A'	2,625,000		855,000	Canada Trustco Mortgage	10.507.350	
	(B) DRILLING VENTURES	- 2,610,357			Company 'A'	18,596,250	
35	Canshore Explorations Limited Units	350,000			Forest Products	7,168,750	4.9
\$ 267,857	North Canadian Oils Limited Joint Venture	267.857		200,000	Domtar Inc	4,750,000	
\$ 232,500	Onyx Petroleum	201,051		90,000	MacMillan Bloedel Ltd	2,418,750	
	Éxploration Ltd. Natural Resource Receipt	232,500			Industrial Management	6,344,375	4.4
30,000	Onyx Petroleum Exploration Ltd	210,000		720,000		0,544,575	7.7
\$1,000,000	Passburg Petroleums Ltd. (Conv. Debenture)	1,000,000			Argus Corporation Ltd. Class 'C' Prefd	5,018,750	
\$ 250,000	Renaissance Resources Ltd. Joint Venture	250.000		35,000	Canadian Pacific Investments Limited	1,325,625	
50,000	Renaissance Resources Ltd	300,000					
	(C) PIPELINE	1,775,000			Investment Trust	10,432,000	7.2
50,000	The Alberta Gas Trunk Line Co., Ltd. 2nd Prefd	1,775,000		652,000	Third Canadian General Investment Trust Limited -	10,432,000	

No. of Shares		Total Market Value F \$		No. of Shares		Total Market Value \$	
	Merchandising	7,315,281	5.0		Venture Capital	1,395,995	.9
120.000	Canadian Tire Corporation Ltd. 'A'	3,210,000		5,850	(see page 12) C. G. I. and Third Venture Capital Limited Preferred	585,000	
135.625	Canadian Tire Corporation Ltd.	3,695,781		90,000	C. G. I. and Third Venture	303,000	
42.000	Cochrane-Dunlop Ltd	409,500		90,000	Capital Limited Common -	810,995	
	Manufacturing	4,875,688	3.4		Miscellaneous	3,323,706	2.3
35.000	Canadian General Electric			260			4.0
	Co. Ltd	980,000			CCCL Holdings Ltd. Common-	29,911	
220,500	Hayes Dana Ltd. 'A'	2,067,188			CCCL Holdings Ltd. Prefd	403,795	
30.000	Magna International Inc. 'A' -	315,000		80,000	Extendicare Ltd	780,000	
5.000	Magna International Inc. 'B' -	56,250		80,000	Extendicare Ltd. 'A'	760,000	
29.000	Northern Telecom Ltd	1,457,250		90,000	Scott's Restaurants Co. Ltd. 'A'-	1,350,000	
	Metals	11,925,000	8.2		U.S. Securities	23,572,972	16.2
30.000	Alcan Aluminium Ltd	1.631.250		402,870	Avco Corporation	12,996,586	
182.500	Hollinger Argus Limited	8.212.500		22,000	Halliburton Company	2,174,920	
50.000	Texas Gulf Inc	2,081,250			Intel Corporation Ltd	1,476,375	
	Real Estate	892,500	.6	20,000	Joy Manufacturing Company -	708,600	
35.000	Trizec Corporation Ltd	892,500	.0	20,000	National Mine Service Company	320,800	
	Steel	13,606,250	9.4	25,000	Peabody International Corporation	656,000	
225.000	The Algoma Steel Corp. Ltd	6.862.500		9,000	ROLM Corporation	442,260	
100.000	Dominion Foundries and Steel Ltd. 'A'	3,462,500		105,400	Shared Medical Systems Corporation	1,997,831	
125.000	The Steel Co. of Canada Ltd. 'A'	3.281.250		40,000	Tektronix Inc	2,799,600	

C.G.I. AND THIRD VENTURE CAPITAL LIMITED

Authorized Capital-

10,000 6% non-cumulative, non-voting preference shares with a par value of \$100 each redeemable at the amount paid up thereon.

100,000 common shares without par value.

Issued and outstanding-

6,500 preference shares

100,000 common shares.

As at December 31, 1979 Canadian General Investments Limited held 5,850 preference shares and 90,000 common shares for a total investment of \$675,000. Third Canadian General Investment Trust Limited held 650 preference shares and 10,000 common shares for a total investment of \$75,000. There are no other shareholders.

Portfolio of Investments

AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1979

No. Shares		Class	Total Value
** 13,000	Applied Digital Data Systems	Preferred	\$ 291,850
† 5,000	Energy Conversion Devices	Common	52,450
1,800	Northway-Gestalt Corporation (previously Gestalt Int'l. Ltd.) -	Common	3,600
* 20,000	Helix Investments Ltd	Common	60,000
* 16,245	Helix Investments Ltd	Preferred	162,450
* 106,855	Hermes Electronics Ltd	Common	53,428
* 2,000	Hermes Electronics Ltd	Preferred	20,000
* 14,286	Ionarc Smelters Ltd	Common	5,000
* \$59,270	Master Design Corp. 8% Oct. 6, 1986	Debenture	14,817
* 20,000	Master Design Corp	Conv. Preferred	14,818
5,316	Mitel Corporation	Common	95,024
* \$33,250	Mitel Corporation 10% 1980-1	Debenture	33,250
†\$116,480	Novametrix Medical Systems Inc	Debenture	116,480
* 1 Unit	Pay T.V	Common and Debenture	126,360
10,000	Piper Petroleums Ltd	Common	80,000
26,000	Spar Aerospace Ltd	Common	250,250
* 3,163	Venturetek International Limited	Common	15,815
	Miscellaneous		403
			\$1,395,995

[†]U.S. Security-o/c NEW YORK

^{*}Note: Securities not having a quoted market value have been included at values determined by the Directors based principally on the underlying value of the assets represented by these securities.

^{**}U.S. Security-Listed NYSE